

FINAL Minutes of the July 25, 2013, Meeting of the Midway Noise Compatibility Commission

The regular quarterly meeting of the Midway Noise Compatibility Commission (MNCC) was held July 25, 2013, at The Mayfield, 6072 South Archer Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Chairman Baliga called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Chairman Baliga opened the meeting by explaining that the MNCC meeting was held pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

Chairman Baliga asked Marcie Vasta, a representative for the Chicago Department of Aviation, to record the minutes.

The following members were **present**:

Mayor David Brady – Bedford Park
Norma Pinion – Bridgeview (*Representing Mayor Steve Landek*)
Mayor Harry Klein – Burbank
Jim Lazanski – Stickney (*Representing Mayor Deborah Morelli*)
Gail Conwell – Chicago Ward 13
Nance Dulaj – Chicago Ward 13
Stan Lihosit – Chicago Ward 14
Anthony Philbin – Chicago Ward 18
Thomas Baliga – Chicago Ward 23
Christopher Koczwar – Chicago Ward 23
Joseph Loduca – Chicago Ward 23
Amy Malick – Chicago Department of Aviation (*Representing Commissioner Rosemarie Andolino*)

The following members were **not present**:

Mayor Larry Dominick – Cicero
Mayor Richard Grenvich – Forest View
Tom Sheahan – Lyons (*Representing Mayor Christopher Getty*)
Chet Strzelczyk – Summit (*Representing Mayor Joseph Strzelczyk*)
Frank Damato – Cook County (*Representing Board President Toni Preckwinkle*)
Kenneth Pannaralla – Chicago Ward 13
Samuel Rivers – Chicago Ward 15

Also present:

Aaron Frame, Assistant Commissioner – Chicago Department of Aviation
Forest Lombaer, Chief Assistant Corporation Counsel – Chicago Department of Law
Jeffrey Jackson, Project Manager – Landrum & Brown
Marcie Vasta, Administrative Assistant – Residential Sound Insulation Program

Quorum was met with 12 of the 19 members present.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 25, 2013 MEETING MINUTES

Chairman Baliga asked if there were any changes to the April 25, 2013 meeting minutes. There were no changes and a motion to approve was made by Norma Pinion and seconded by Nance Dulaj. The motion passed.

CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION (“CDA”) REPORT

A. Status of the Midway Part 150 Study Update

Assistant Commissioner Frame stated that both the Part 150 Noise Compatibility Study update and the new flight procedures have been approved by the Federal Government. Copies of both documents are available on the CDA website.

B. Presentation: 2nd Quarter 2013 Airport Noise Management System (“ANMS”) Report

Mr. Frame asked Mr. Jackson of Landrum & Brown to present the 2nd Quarter 2013 Airport Noise Management System Report.

Runway Use Report

April – Typical winds for this season are primarily westerly, usually resulting in departures and arrivals being via 31C.

The winds this April were from the south and east making the number one departure runway 22L/22R with 38%. 31% were from 31C, 24% going to the northeast were from 04L/04R with the remaining 7% from 13C.

33% of arrivals were on 31C, 04L/04R had 31%, 22L/22R had 28% and the remaining 8% were on 13C.

May – Primary departures were 39% from 04L/04R, 31% from 22L/22R, 27% from 31C and 3% from 13C.

Arrivals had 55% on 04L/04R, 29% on 22R/22L, 13% on 31C and 3% on 13C.

June – 39% of departures were from 31C, 31% were from 04L/04R, 26% from 22L/22R and 4% from 13C.

Arrivals were from the southwest with 53% on 04L/04R, 24% on 22L/22R, 20% on 31C (which usually has the majority) and 3% on 13C.

Airline Fleet Mix Report

The operations in the second quarter were up to an average of 700 per day with an average of 79 of those at night from 10 pm to 7 am. The increase in nighttime operations was due to frequent weather delays. Southwest had an average of 451 operations per day, Delta had 36, AirTran 25, followed by Porter, Frontier and Volaris. General Aviation showed an average of 165 operations per day.

Chairman Baliga asked if General Aviation includes the helicopters and Mr. Jackson responded that it does.

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The most used aircraft, which is used by Southwest, is the newer generation of the B737.

Permanent Noise Monitor Locations

The report indicates the addresses of all of the noise monitor locations at the airport. The 2004 noise contour is what is shown. If that changes, the next meeting will reflect an updated contour.

The report shows 12 month rolling numbers starting with July of 2012 through June of 2013. It also shows averages by quarter.

Mr. Philbin asked about monitoring locations for the 18th Ward. Mr. Jackson responded that monitors have up to a five mile range. Mr. Jackson will see if noise levels are being recorded above the area of the 18th Ward and will provide Mr. Philbin with the results at the next meeting.

Noise Hotline Report

There was a dramatic increase in the number of complaints this quarter compared to what is typical. The number went from 66 complaints in the first quarter to 531 in the second, with 507 of those coming from Chicago. Four hundred of the Chicago complaints came from two individuals residing just outside of the noise contour. Of the 400 complaints 133 were nighttime.

CHAIR'S REPORT

A. Residential Sound Insulation Sub-Committee Report

Ms. Conwell presented the Residential Sound Insulation Sub-Committee Report (see attached).

Chairman Baliga noted that on the 4800 block of South Tripp Avenue, 10 or 12 houses were being worked on at the same time and the crews were doing an excellent job.

NEW BUSINESS

A. APPROVAL OF THE 2018 NOISE CONTOUR

Ms. Dulaj read the draft Resolution 2013-A.

Chairman Baliga asked if there were questions regarding the Resolution 2013-A.

Mr. Frame asked that the approval date indicated in the third "whereas" referencing the noise exposure maps for the new Midway Part 150, be changed from June 26th to read June 20th. A motion to approve the correction was made by Ms. Dulaj and seconded by Mr. Koczwar. The motion passed.

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Mr. Frame explained that the new 2018 Noise Contour reflects a future forecast which is a key component in seeking federal grant money. Working toward the future is an FAA requirement.

Chairman Baliga entertained a motion to adopt the Resolution 2013-A as corrected. The first motion to approve was made by Mayor Klein and seconded by Mr. Lihosit and Ms. Conwell. Resolution 2013-A was adopted.

Chairman Baliga made the following three requests:

1. That updated versions of exploded maps of the southeast and northeast corridor runways be provided, indicating flight paths. The maps would chart the arrivals and departures of the individual planes.
2. That two more noise monitors be added to the existing monitoring system, one for the northeast and the other for the southeast quadrant. The addition would more accurately track the changes that will occur in noise under the new 2018 contour in both of those corridors.
3. The third request was for a graph depicting the decibel noise levels on a sliding scale. Ms. Conwell asked how it would measure the noise and Chairman Baliga responded that it would be the noise directly under and to the sides of the plane. Ms. Conwell stated that it might not offer a complete noise picture. Mr. Frame added that the scope that would be captured in the graphic would be 20-30 square miles.

The above requests will be looked into further by Mr. Frame and his staff.

Mr. Lazanski of Stickney suggested that the 4308 Wenonah Avenue noise monitor be moved further east, closer to the airport.

Mr. Frame discussed the three flyers included in the handouts. The first was the CDA Midway Flyaway 5K event which benefits the Special Olympics, the second was the news release stating that Midway Airport received a perfect airfield safety rating from the FAA this year, and the last was the Request for Qualifications to bid on the new noise monitor contract. The bid opening date is August 28th. The procurement process will take approximately six months.

B. DISCUSSION OF THE FUTURE RESIDENTIAL SOUND INSULATION PROGRAM

Mr. Lihosit asked when the contracts will be let out for bid on the homes remaining now that the Part 150 Study has been completed.

Mr. Frame's response was that a resolution for the next 900 homes will be announced at the MNCC October 2013 quarterly meeting. This next resolution is in the 15th year of the program and will be known as Midway Phase 15. The

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calendar year reference is being eliminated. The same naming convention has already been implemented at O'Hare.

In response to the written inquiry submitted by the Commission, Mr. Frame, Ms. Malick, Mr. Jackson and the members of the Residential Sound Insulation team have been working together with the Building and Law Departments, to determine the criteria for making certain that the participating homes are building code compliant.

There were new FAA requirements issued last year that are being integrated into the new Resolution.

Mr. Frame will request a special Residential Committee meeting in the early part of October to discuss the various changes. Some of these changes include all types of residential buildings, condominiums, apartment buildings, and buildings with more than five units that were not previously eligible for participation.

Chairman Baliga asked if there were any questions or any additional business requiring further discussion.

Mr. Philbin asked if the new proposed Peotone airport will affect the Midway budget. Mr. Frame's response was that funding for the Noise Commission comes from Midway Airport which is owned and operated by the City of Chicago. The new airport is sponsored by Will County, the State of Illinois and the FAA.

With no other business, a motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Pinion and seconded by Ms. Conwell. The motion passed.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Baliga adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m. and informed all those present that the next meeting of the Midway Noise Compatibility Commission will be held on Thursday, October 24, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. at The Mayfield, Chicago.

**Chicago Midway International Airport
Residential Sound Insulation Program
Sub-Committee Report
As of July 25, 2013**

For the 2011 Program Year,

- Homeowner briefings were held in February, March and May 2012.
- There are currently 496 participants.
- Home inventories have been completed to 100% of the homes.
- Construction contracts have been awarded on all 3 contracts.
- Field measurements are complete
- Construction has begun on 2 contracts and is 46% complete.
- Construction on the 3rd contract will begin in August.
- All construction will be complete by September 30th.